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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated January 17, 2001. Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

In the Claims

Please substitute the claim set entitled "Clean Version of Pending Claims", attached hereto, for the previously pending claim set. Specific amendments to individual claims are detailed in the following marked up set of claims.

Please amend the claims as follows:

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5. (Three times amended) [The] A protein or soluble fragment thereof produced by
- a) introducing an expression vector into an appropriate transfection host cell, wherein the expression vector comprises a DNA encoding a protein having SEQ ID NO:2 or a soluble fragment thereof which is capable of specifically binding a cell membrane ligand for SEQ ID NO:2;
- (b) growing said transfected cell in appropriate culture media; and
- (c) purifying the protein [from said culture media] or the soluble fragment thereof.
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J2 28. (Four times amended) An isolated protein having the amino acid sequence [shown in] of SEQ ID NO:2, or a fragment thereof which has the extracellular domain of SEQ ID NO:2 and which binds H4-1 BBL

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